

Amendments to the Claims:

Listing of the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (canceled)

Claim 5 (canceled)

Claim 13 (canceled)

Claim 23 (canceled)

Claim 28 (canceled)

Claims 33-43 (canceled)

Claim 44. (currently amended) An isolated ~~mammalian-Gax~~ human protein, ~~of claim 41~~
wherein said protein comprises amino acid 1 through amino acid 302 of SEQ ID NO. 4.

Claims 45-47 (canceled)